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SUBJECT: 62ND UN GENERAL ASSEMBLY: CROATIAN ATTENDANCE, A-3

MEETING

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- 11. PolOff delivered reftel to MFA Asst Minister for International Organizations and Security Pjer Simunovic on July 24. Following is initial GOC response:
- 1A. Attendance of the Head of State: Yes
- -- Name and title: Stjepan Mesic, President of the Republic of Croatia
- -- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other U.S. locations, and whether the Head of State will be present for the General Debate: Travel dates still unknown. President Mesic will deliver Croatia's plenary speech.
- -- Whether spouse of the Head of State will travel to New York: Still unknown
- -- Whether interpretation would be required in a bilateral or multilateral meeting: Yes, Croatian.
- 1B. Attendance of the Head of Government: Still unknown
- 1C. Attendance of the Foreign Minister: Yes
- -- Name and title: Kolinda Grabar-Kitarovic, Minister of Foreign Affairs and European Integration
- -- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and other U.S. locations, and whether the Foreign Minister will be present for the General Debate: Travel dates still unknown, but she plans to attend the General Debate.
- -- Whether the spouse of the Foreign Minister will travel to New York: Unknown
- -- Whether interpretation would be required in bilateral or multilateral meetings: No
- ¶D. Attendance of other host country VIPs: Still unknown
- ¶E. Attendance of the Foreign Ministry official responsible for IO affairs or official who is a regular interlocutor of regional assistant secretaries or Department principals: Yes
- -- Name and title: Pjer Simunovic, Assistant Minister of Foreign Affairs for International Organizations and Security
- -- Arrival and departure dates to and from New York and whether the VIP will be present for the General Debate: Still unknown

- -- Whether the spouse of the official will travel to New York: Still  ${\tt unknown}$
- -- Whether interpretation would be required in bilateral or multilateral meetings: No
- $\P 2$ . Simunovic did not make any initial requests for high-level meetings but did report that Croatia, as current chair of the Adriatic Charter (A-3), planned to propose an A-3 meeting on the margins of the UNGA and would be seeking appropriate USG representation. BRADTKE